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Acts 1:8 (NIV-UK)

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.'

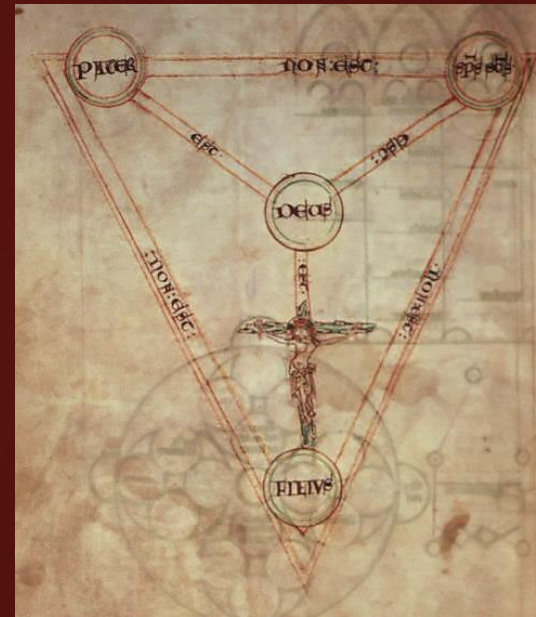
Acts 2:1-4 (NIV-UK)

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

John 14:16-17 (NIV-UK)

¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you for ever – ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, **for he lives with you and will be in you.**

When we are talking about the Holy Spirit, we are not talking about an impersonal force or a created thing, we are talking about the third person of the Trinity, we are talking about God.



The earliest attested version of the diagram, from a manuscript of Peter of Poitiers' writings, c. 1210

The Holy Spirit is...

- ❖ Eternal (Hebrews 9:14)
- ❖ Omnipresent (Psalm 139)
- ❖ Omniscient (1 Corinthians 2:10-11)
- ❖ Can be blasphemed (Matthew 12:31-32)
- ❖ Referenced interchangeably with God (Acts 5)
- ❖ A personal being (John 16)

The Holy Spirit is God!

Acts 2:42-47 (NIV-UK)

⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favour of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Acts 2:38-39 (NIV-UK)

Peter replied, ‘Repent and be baptised, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off – for all whom the Lord our God will call.’

The letter to the Galatians addresses a controversy in the early church where some teachers were insisting that Gentile believers must follow Jewish law, particularly circumcision, to be fully accepted in the Christian community. Paul writes to defend the gospel of justification by faith alone and to warn against legalism.

The Book of Galatians emphasises salvation by faith in Jesus Christ rather than adherence to the Jewish law, highlighting Christian freedom through the Spirit. Some have called it the Magna Carta of Christian liberty.



Galatians 5:13-26

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- Idolatry & Witchcraft
- Hatred
- Discord
- Jealousy
- Fits of Rage
- Selfish Ambition
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Fruit is always the miraculous, the created; it is never the result of willing, but always a growth. The fruit of the Spirit is a gift of God, and only He can produce it. They who bear it know as little about it as the tree knows of its fruit. They know only the power of Him on whom their life depends

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

God develops the fruit of the Spirit in your life by allowing you to experience circumstances in which you're tempted to express the exact opposite quality. Character development always involves a choice, and temptation provides that opportunity.

Rick Warren

Galatians 5:24 (NIV-UK)

Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

Celebrate the work of God in you.

Cooperate with the work He wants to do in you.

Jeremiah 17:5-8 (NIV-UK)

⁵ This is what the LORD says:

‘Cursed is the one who trusts in man,
who draws strength from mere flesh
and whose heart turns away from the LORD.

⁶ That person will be like a bush in the wastelands;
they will not see prosperity when it comes.

They will dwell in the parched places of the desert,
in a salt land where no one lives.

Jeremiah 17:5-8 (NIV-UK)

⁷ ‘But blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD,
whose confidence is in him.

⁸ They will be like a tree planted by the water
that sends out its roots by the stream.

It does not fear when heat comes;
its leaves are always green.

It has no worries in a year of drought
and never fails to bear fruit.’